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via electronic filing

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Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: SEIU COPE Amended Year End General Report (11/25/08-12/31/08), received 8/24/09

Dear Ms. Lewis:

This is in response to your letter to SEIU COPE, dated October 28, 2009 which requested additional information about receipts missing from the initial report that were disclosed on the above-referenced amended report. Please be advised that the omissions were the result of a computer error that occurred at the time the original report was filed. At that time, as a result of computer problems we were encountering, there were two different copies of the internal database containing the information necessary to complete the FEC Form 3x. Moreover, the staff member with principal responsibility for submitting the report was required to be in California when the report was prepared and filed, and the report accordingly was submitted remotely by the staff person in California from the copy that had not been fully updated for all of the period's transactions. We have changed to another version of the software program which has resolved this problem.

The amended report included all of the appropriate transactions. We filed the amended report after we did a thorough review of the reports filed for the entire year and after amendments to earlier periods were filed to minimize the confusion that could result from amending reports out of sequence and subsequently having to re-amend them to properly roll forward prior period activity.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

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